

Thank you for attending my presentation at the ISA Conference. As a courtesy, and to help you learn, embed, and engage the ideas I presented, I've provided some details for each of the 10 Sales Tips.

First, some actions you can take:

- 1. Connect with me on LinkedIn
- While you're there, <u>subscribe to the weekly Short Attention Span Sales Tip</u> Newsletter
- 3. Visit Sales Vault.pro/ISA to learn about the Sales Vault
- 4. Get on my calendar so we can talk about your unique selling situation

As always, I urge you to reach out to me directly with any questions: Bill Farquharson (781) 934-7036 bill@salesvault.pro



# 10 Sales Tips Presented at the 2024 ISA Conference

## 1. Call Quality: The single most important selling skill you can have

- Learn how to finish the sentence that starts, "The purpose of my call is..." with a powerful and valuable statement comes from pre-call research;
- What you are looking for:
  - Business needs;
  - Growth plans;
  - General selling philosophy;
  - Trends that vertical market is experiencing;
- Another thought is to Google, "marketing mistakes << vertical>> make." There are hundreds of thousands of entries giving you some insight as to what the issues are and helping you to formulate your best possible sales call;

## 2. Do one thing first thing

When you arrive at the office in the morning, you likely spend time getting
organized, checking e-mail, and creating a plan for the day. There are many
things wrong with this habit, but this sales tip is about increasing your
productivity;

- Before you leave the office the day before, assign yourself one task to do first thing the next morning;
- Doing this one thing first thing means you will have achieved one goal even before your day starts;

## 3. 3 ways to differentiate yourself and your company

- Call quality and overall salesmanship
- Diligence-Call twice
- Industry knowledge (SME level)

# 4. How to crush that sales appointment

- Congratulations on gaining access to a decision maker. Now what?
- Double down on your research:
  - o Learn about the person/people you are meeting with
  - Study the vertical
  - Study the company
- Plan the agenda for the meeting
- Ask if there's anything the client wants to cover
- Start by confirming the amount of time you have
- Run the meeting with a mixture of talking, listening, and asking questions
- Do not leave the room without a plan and a promise

#### 5. How to sell with a confidence that borderlines cockiness

- A good vendor is as important as a good customer
- Be anecdotal
- Hold the bar up to eye level
- "You want me on that wall. You need me on that wall."

#### 6. A wicked easy prospecting process

- It's called the Taco Bell approach
- Do the client's thinking for them
- Create 3 price points, each with different products
- Create a flyer or stick it on an e-mail and then follow up

#### 7. An incredibly stupid idea to keep from getting ghosted

- Before you get off the phone; Before you leave the meeting, get all the information and ask all the questions you will ask later when you are ghosted;
- The pinky swear

## 8. Sell more in less time: 5 Steps for improved productivity

- Step one—Establish your sales silos
- Step two—Create activity goals for the next seven days
- Step three—Look over the week and create an activities draft
- Step four—Plan tomorrow
- Step five—Engage the plan

## 9. How to engage LinkedIn as a lead-generator

- Curate your profile (Sales Vault.pro/Partners and look for "Free Workshop")
- Create quality content and post consistently
- Connect. Connect. Connect.
- Tip: No URL's in the body (Comments only)

#### 10. Reach these four goals and lock customers in forever

- Amazon-level communications—They do such a great job of letting you know where your job is, when it's coming, and that it's been delivered.
- Your grandfather's Craftsman-level quality—For those of you who don't remember Sears in its heyday, Craftsman was the gold standard of quality for tools and power equipment. It was so good, they had a lifetime guarantee.
- Apple-level unexpected service. I had underlined the word, "Unexpected" to remind myself to go that extra mile. Continue to bring new ideas.
- And finally, your best friend-level count-on-it reliability. That one is selfexplanatory, I think.